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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kazuo KURODA, Masayoshi YOSHIDA, and Toshio SUZUKI  
ROTATION CONTROL APPARATUS OPERATING WITH A SYNC SIGNAL  
HAVING VARIABLE INTERVALS  
Our Ref: Q052370

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 08/816,138 filed March 12, 1997 of Kazuo KURODA, Masayoshi YOSHIDA, Toshio SUZUKI entitled, "ROTATION CONTROL APPARTUS OPERATING WITH A SYNC SIGNAL HAVING VARIABLE INTERVALS."

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims, 11 sheets of **formal** drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2753.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a continuation of Application No. 08/816,138 filed March 12, 1997, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

Priority is claimed from March 13, 1996 based on Japan Application No. 8-084578. The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 08/816,138.

Applicants submit herewith a **Preliminary Amendment** for consideration prior to review on the merits.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>4</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$78.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
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A check for the statutory fee of \$760.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A **duplicate** copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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